

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
Alexandria Division**

M.M.M., G.S., M.O.K., B.S.S., AND H.K.,)	
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Plaintiffs,)	
)	
v.)	Case No. 1:24cv1120 (MSN/IDD)
)	
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE)	
and UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF)	
HOMELAND SECURITY,)	
)	
Defendants.)	

JOINT STATUS REPORT

Pursuant to the Court’s December 2, 2024 Order, Dkt. 44, and following the November 14, 2024, Settlement Conference in this matter, the parties hereby provide this status report to inform the Court that settlement negotiations between the parties are ongoing. Although the parties are reticent to provide details about the settlement negotiations because of the requirements of Federal Rule of Evidence 408, Defendants are able to inform the Court at this time that Defendants have been working on guidance relevant to certain Afghan SIV applicants.

At this time, the parties plan to continue these negotiations without Court intervention. Accordingly, in the interest of judicial economy, and to avoid an unnecessary and burdensome expenditure of this Court’s resources, the parties jointly request that they be permitted to provide a further update to this Court in twenty-one (21) days, on January 10, 2024, as to the status of their negotiations. The parties will notify the Court if the parties reach an agreement to settle the above-captioned matter.

Dated: December 20, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

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